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**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*

**John Hoeven**  
*Governor*

**PROCLAMATION**  
**DECA WEEK**  
OCTOBER 11-17, 2009

**WHEREAS**, the Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) enhances the co-curricular education of students with interests in marketing, management, and entrepreneurship; and

**WHEREAS**, DECA and marketing education provide young people with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to America's leadership in the international marketplace; and

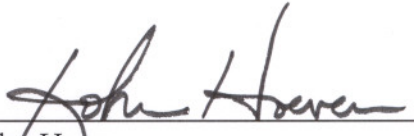
**WHEREAS**, DECA helps students develop skills and competence for marketing careers, build self-esteem, experience leadership and practice service learning, as well as develop high ethical standards in personal and business relationships; and

**WHEREAS**, DECA offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, which provide them with career choices and potential satisfaction with an understanding of the competitive, free enterprise system; and

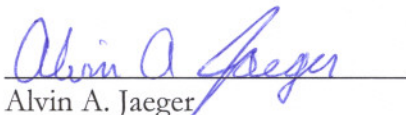
**WHEREAS**, DECA strives to develop a greater appreciation of the responsibilities of citizenship through character education; and

**WHEREAS**, DECA is committed to the advocacy of marketing education and the growth of business and education partnerships.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 11-17, 2009, **DECA WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

  
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John Hoeven  
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